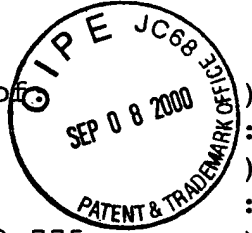


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
HIDEO KATO, ET AL.) : Examiner: K. Brown
Appln. No.: 09/159,775) : Group Art Unit: 2851
Filed: September 24, 1998) :
For: ILLUMINATOR, EXPOSURE) September 11, 2000
APPARATUS, AND METHOD :
FOR FABRICATING DEVICE)
USING THE SAME :



The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under
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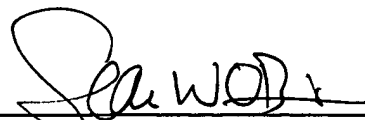
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